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In re U.S. Patent No. 5,962,468 )  
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For: 7-(4-AMINOMETHYL-3-METHYLOXYIMINOPYRROLIDIN-1-YL)-1-  
     CYCLOPROPYL-6-FLUORO-4-OXO-1,4-DIHYDRO-1,8-  
     NAPHTHYRIDINE-3-CARBOXYLIC ACID AND THE PROCESS FOR  
     THE PREPARATION THEREOF

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LG Life Sciences, Ltd. represents that it is the assignee of the above-identified U.S. Letters Patent by virtue of an assignment from the inventors to LG Chemical Ltd. was recorded at Reel 007531, Frame 0413 on June 15, 1995. A document indicating a change in name from LG Chemical Ltd. to LG Chem Investment, Ltd. was recorded at Reel 013563, Frame 0644 on December 11, 2002. An assignment from LG Chem Investment, Ltd. to LG Life Sciences, Ltd. was recorded at Reel 013570, Frame 0131 on December 11, 2002. LG Life Sciences, Ltd. hereby grants the power of attorney to the attorneys of **FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.**, associated with Customer No. 22852 including Charles E. Van Horn, Reg. No. 40,266; Andrew C. Sonu, Reg. No. 33,457; and Steven P. O'Connor, Reg. No. 41,225; both jointly

and separately to be attorneys for LG Life Sciences, Ltd. with regard to an application for extension of the term of U.S. Patent 5,962,468 and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office and Food and Drug Administration connected therewith.

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